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that the claims of certain communities are being discriminated even in this matter and I would like a list to be compiled communitywar."

THE HON. DR. T. S. S. RAJAN :—" It is not prepared communitywar but if the hon. Gentleman wants specific information, I shall supply."

Appointments made since May 1946.

* 133 *Q.*—SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO : Will the Hon. the Prime Minister be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of appointments, gazetted and non-gazetted, made since May 1946;

(*b*) whether qualifications prescribed for these appointments are the same or similar to those prescribed for similar existing appointments and if so, what they are;

(*c*) whether in any or all the cases these appointments have been made following the procedure prescribed for recruitment through the Public Service Commission;

(*d*) whether expenditure in respect of these new appointments has already been provided in the Budget for 1946–47;

(*e*) whether all the appointments made relate to existing services or new services for which provision has been made in 1946–47 and the approval of the Legislature obtained;

(*f*) if the appointments related to new services, whether the approval of the Legislature has been obtained by token grants;

(*g*) whether seeking approval for new services after creating them and incurring expenditure is in accordance with Parliamentary practice; and

(*h*) whether the Government will place on the table of the House a list of appointments made, emoluments offered, qualifications prescribed and other particulars?

THE HON. DR. T. S. S. RAJAN :—" (*a*), (*b*), (*c*) & (*h*) The Government consider that the time and labour involved in the collection of information is not commensurate with any public interest that may be served.

" (*d*) Not in all cases.

" (*e*) If provision has been made in the budget for a scheme it will not be a 'New Service.' The appointments relate both to existing services and 'New Services' (i.e., services for which no provision has been made in the budget for 1946–47).

" (*f*) It is proposed to obtain supplementary grants—token or otherwise—in respect of all new services on the 27th instant.

" (*g*) The procedure has been followed for a long time both by this Government and by the Government of India and has been approved by the Public Accounts Committee of this

Legislature. As the budget for each year is approved before its commencement it is inevitable that some urgent schemes for which no provision has been made in the budget have to be introduced during the course of a year. A list of schemes treated as new services is placed before the Public Accounts Committee."

K. T. M. AHMED IBRAHIM SAHIB BAHADUR :—" Arising out of answer to (*f*) that a supplementary demand will be made on the 27th instant; does it refer to the 27th of March? "

THE HON. DR. T. S. S. RAJAN :—" Yes."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" If the list is such a formidable one and the amounts involved in the very nature of the case must be also formidable, is it not fair to the Legislature when a new service is created involving expenditure, to take the approval of the Legislature by way of a token grant at least? "

THE HON. DR. T. S. S. RAJAN :—" The practice followed here has been in existence for some time and I may inform the hon. Member that the same practice prevails in the Government of India also."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" May I bring to the notice of the Hon. Minister that in the Government of India, there is a Standing Finance Committee which first approves proposals whereas here the Public Accounts Committee only performs a post-mortem examination? "

THE HON. DR. T. S. S. RAJAN :—" If the hon. Member desires to have a Standing Finance Committee, the matter may be brought to the notice of the Government and it shall be considered."

Expansion of I.W.C.C.

* 134 *Q*.—MRS. MONA HENSMAN (on behalf of Mrs. M. N. Clubwalla) : Will the Hon. the Prime Minister be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether in view of the growing popularity of the I.W.C.C. and the demands for opening new branches any provision has been made for its expansion, in the amount allotted for the I.W.C.C. ;

(*b*) as the work is increasing and more immediate supervision is necessary, whether District Officers will be appointed soon ; and

(*c*) whether the Government have any proposals for enlarging the scope of the organization so that it becomes a complete department to serve the whole Province?

THE HON. DR. T. S. S. RAJAN :—" (*a*) Not for the present.

" (*b*) The matter is under consideration.

" (*c*) Yes."